WHO aid for reproductive and sexual health awareness programmes

†933. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Health Organisation is providing aid for the reproductive and sexual health awareness programme being run by the Women and Child Welfare Department in the States;

(b) if so, total amount of aid received during the last two years and the State-wise details of aid disbursed; and

(c) progress achieved so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The World Health Organisation does not provide aid to the reproductive and sexual health awareness programmes being run by the Women and Child Welfare Department in the States.

(b) and (c) Questions do not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

Charges against Pharmaceutical Companies

934. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that pharmaceutical companies, Ranbaxy (UK) has been notified offer claim from the Secretary of State for Health against it and generics U.K. Ltd. in connection with the sale and supply of the Ulcer drug Ranitidine; and

(b) if so, the complete details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) M/s. Ranbaxy Ltd., who were contacted in the matter have clarified that, they have been notified of a claim issued in the English High Court relating to the anti-ulcer drug, Ranitidine. The claim is for damages and interest to compensate various National Health Services bodies for loss caused by alleged arrangements adversely affecting competition in the sale and supply of Ranitidine between 1997 and 2000. The claim has been served

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